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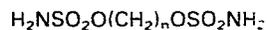
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54 **Disulfamate for treating malignant conditions.**

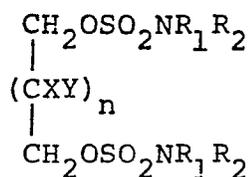
57 A compound for inhibiting the growth of malignant cells in a mammal comprising an alkanediol disulfamate of the formula



where n = 6-8, inclusive.

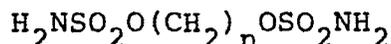
The present invention relates to a compound for use in treating malignant conditions in mammals and a method of such treatment by administration of such compounds, namely certain sulfamate compounds.

U.S. Patents 3,997,585 and 4,075,351 and Hirsch et al., J. Med. Chem. Soc. 24, 901-903 (1981), describe a series of sulfamate compounds having male antifertility properties. The compounds have the formula



wherein n is an integer from 0 to 8 and X and Y are hydrogen, provided that when n is 1, X and Y are hydrogen, lower alkyl having 1-3 carbon atoms, phenyl, benzyl or phenethyl; R₁ and R₂ are hydrogen, alkyl having 1-7 carbon atoms, phenyl, benzyl, phenethyl or cycloalkyl having 5-6 carbon atoms. Compounds specifically disclosed include 1,6-bis-O-sulfamyl-1,6-hexanediol, 1,7-bis-O-sulfamyl-1,7-heptanediol, and 1,8-bis-O-sulfamyl-1,8-octanediol.

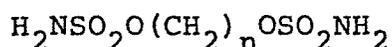
The invention resides in inhibiting the growth of malignant cells in a mammal by administering to said mammal an antineoplastically effective amount of a compound of the formula



where n is 6-8, incorporated in a suitable pharmaceutically acceptable diluent or excipient.

Unexpectedly, it has been found that a series
5 of alkanediol disulfamates, disclosed in the prior art as having male antifertility activity, possess antineoplastic activity as evidenced by their activity in reducing the size of tumors and increasing the survival time in murine species implanted with various tumors.

10 The antitumor activity lies essentially in homologs of the formula



where n is 6-8, inclusive.

The alkanediol disulfamates were prepared
15 according to the prior art method by reacting an alkanediol with sulfamoyl chloride in the presence of sodium hydride, as illustrated by the following procedure.

A 57% oil dispersion of sodium hydride
(11.8 g, 0.28 mole NaH) was added to 150 ml of
20 tetrahydrofuran. The suspension was stirred and gently heated, and 15.84 g (0.12 mole) of 1,7-heptanediol in 75 ml of tetrahydrofuran was added gradually over a period of 90 minutes. An additional 25 ml of tetrahydrofuran was then added, and the reaction mixture
25 was stirred at reflux for five hours. An additional 150 ml of tetrahydrofuran was added, and to the stirred warm mixture there was added dropwise a solution of 28.9 g (0.25 mole) of sulfamoyl chloride in 150 ml of tetrahydrofuran over a two hour period. The reaction mixture was
30 stirred at reflux for five hours, then cooled and treated dropwise with 125 ml of water. The mixture was acidified with 2N hydrochloric acid, and the organic layer was separated and dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate. The solvent was removed in vacuo and the residue triturated
35 with ethyl acetate to give a yellow solid which was recrystallized from an ethyl acetate-hexane mixture to

give 22.0 g of 1,7-heptanediol disulfamate as colorless granules, m.p. 87-88°C.

By employing the same procedure but replacing the 1,7-heptanediol by a molar equivalent amount of
 5 1,6-hexanediol or 1,8-heptanediol, there was obtained, respectively, 1,6-hexanediol disulfamate, colorless granules, m.p. 122-124°C; and 1,8-octanediol disulfamate, tan granules, m.p. 100-101°C.

The compounds described hereinabove were
 10 tested for antitumor activity in mice under the auspices of the National Cancer Institute (U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services) following the protocols set forth in Cancer Chemotherapy Reports, Part 3, Vol. 3, No. 2 (September 1972).

15 The compounds were tested against the following implanted tumors:

3B131 = B1-B16 melanocarcinoma

3LE31 = LE-L-1210 lymphoid leukemia

3MBG5 = MB-MX-1 mammary carcinoma xenograft

20 3PS31 = PS-P-388 lymphocytic leukemia

3CDJ2 = CD-CD8F₁ mammary adenocarcinoma

The results were determined at T/C (%) values, calculated in terms of mean survival rates (MST)

$$T/C (\%) = \frac{MST \text{ (treated animals)}}{MST \text{ (control animals)}} \times 100$$

25 or (for 3MBG5 and 3CDJ2) in terms of change in tumor weight according to the following procedures:

3MBG5: On day 0, tumor fragments with an average diameter of 9-12 ocular micrometer units (10 OMU = 1 mm; weight of fragment with a length and
 30 width of 10 OMU = 0.5 mg) are implanted beneath the renal capsule of athymic mice. On day 11, tumor measurements are taken again. All length (L) by width (W) measurements are converted to weight by the formula:
 wt. (mg) = (L X W X W)/2. For positive changes in test
 35 tumor weights (i.e. mean T.W. on day 11 - mean T.W. on day 0 was positive), T/C values are calculated from the

test tumor weight change/control tumor weight change x 100. For negative changes in test tumor weights (tumors regressed), T/C values are calculated from the test tumor weight change/- initial test tumor weight x 100.

5 3CDJ2: On Staging day and final evaluation day, the sizes of tumors of individual mice are measured according to the following formula: $Wt. (mg) = (L \times W \times W)/2$. Change in tumor weight for each group is calculated. For positive changes in test tumor weights (i.e. median T.W. on final evaluation day - median T.W. on Staging day), T/C values are calculated from the test tumor weight change/control tumor weight change x 100. For negative changes in test tumor weights (tumors regressed), T/C values are calculated from the test tumor weight change/ initial tumor weight x 100.

15 The tables below give the results obtained with the compounds pertinent to the instant invention. The compounds were tested as suspensions in polysorbate 80 (Tween 80) and by intraperitoneal injection unless otherwise stated.

20 I. 1,7-Heptanediol disulfamate

	Tumor Systems	Dose (mg/kg/inj)	T/C (%)	
			MST	Weight Change
	3B131	50	171-181	
25	3LE31	50	141-171	
	3MBG5	150		-97
	3MBG5	75		-81
	3PS31	100	199	
	3PS31	50	174	
30	3CDJ2	250		-27, -36

II 1,6-Hexanediol disulfamate

	Tumor Systems	Dose (mg/kg/inj)	T/C (%)	
			MST	Weight Change
	3B131	50	180	
5	3B131	25	168-185	
	3LE31	25	158-178	
	3MBG5	75 ^a		-24, -100
	3PS31	100	294	
		50	193	
10	a) subcutaneous administration			

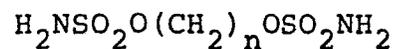
III 1,8-Octanediol disulfamate

	Tumor Systems	Dose (mg/kg/inj)	T/C (%)	
			MST	Weight Change
	3B131	25	132-140	
15	3LE31	50	186	
	3LE31	25	146	
	3MBG5	80 ^a		-87, -100
	3PS31	50	174-179	
	3CDJ2	250		-7
20	3CDJ2	125		6
	a) subcutaneous administration			

For practice of the invention, the compounds are prepared for use by incorporating them in conventional, pharmaceutically acceptable, diluents, carriers or excipients. For parenteral administration (intravenous, intraperitoneal, subcutaneous or intramuscular), the compounds are dissolved or suspended in an aqueous or non-aqueous vehicle. For oral administration, the compounds are formulated in dosage unit form as tablets or capsules. Exemplary diluents, carriers or excipients include lactose, dextrose, sucrose, sorbitol, mannitol, starches, gum acacia, calcium phosphate, mineral oil, cocoa butter, alginates, tragacanth, gelatin, methyl cellulose, methyl- and propyl hydroxybenzoates, talc, magnesium stearate and the like.

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1. A compound for use inhibiting the growth of malignant cells in a mammal, said compound having the formula



where n is 6-8.

2. A compound according to claim 1, wherein said compound is 1,7-heptanediol disulfamate.

3. A compound according to claim 1, wherein said compound is 1,6-hexanediol disulfamate.

4. A compound according to claim 1, wherein said compound is 1,8-octanediol disulfamate.